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Dear Scoutmasters,

We appreciate your willingness to join us on this epic adventure we in the OA call Winter Camp. My name is Braden Eutsler and I am the 2016 Winter Camp chairman from the Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge in Middle Tennessee. I have been in scouting since I was in the first grade, and from all the experience I realized the importance, of teamwork, camaraderie, and FUN. My goal for Winter Camp 2016 is to incorporate a fun, energetic environment for your scouts, while also giving them pivotal learning requirements that will help them advance in their scouting career!

How? I want your scouts to learn the necessities for everyday life, so the Order of the Arrow is offering classes that will help them become more communicable, well rounded scouts. These newly added merit badges include the fun art of speech in the Public Speaking Merit Badge, the Chess Merit Badge will help them improve mental process and tactic abilities, and the Robotics Merit Badge at the NEW Parnell Stem Center that will allow your scouts to learn the wonders of scientific mastery.

Where? At Boxwell Scout Reservation of course! The Order of the Arrow has used this amazing camp for many years. Boxwell Scout Reservation is like an old pair of jeans, we love it so much and want to be in it everyday! Due to the fantastic efforts of the Middle Tennessee Council, Parnell will be open as the new STEM center. Here your scouts will be able to explore the vast advances in technology. I know that this will bring a sparkle to the eye of your Scouts and you alike and don't worry, if you are not interested in riding a bus to see it, you can most definitely join myself and my adviser Jim Byers on the Ring Master hike offered each day!

Why? I want each Scout to leave with a smile on his face. Isn't that what Scouts is about? Giving youth the freedom to better themselves, and have fun while doing so? Winter Camp is the best opportunity to do just that! Winter Camp is ENTIRELY youth lead and is a fantastic way for new scouts and older scouts to experience a true youth lead program. I am 19 and here I am running an entire camp. There are limitless possibilities in the Scouting program, and we in the OA would be honored to give scouts a helping hand.

I hope that this sparks an interest in joining me at Winter Camp 2016! The entire camp will be a fun experience, the opening campfire will end with a magnificent bang, this will truly in-corporate our theme for this year's winter camp - Boxwell Under the Big Top. What is more fun than a circus? This year I hope to offer an engaging, unique experience for your scouts to show just how fun they can be. So the Order of the Arrow has created the Clowning Merit Badge! Here scouts will truly show just how bright they can shine, because at Friday night closing camp-fire the Clowning Merit Badge class will have the opportunity to perform in front of the entire camp!

Thank you so much for your devotion to scouting, I know I would not be where I am to-day without the impact of the scouts and scoutmasters in my life.

Have an amazing year, and I hope to see you at Boxwell Under the Big Top!!

Braden Eutsler

Jim Byers

2016 Winter Camp Chairman

2016 Winter Camp Adviser

Boxwell Reservation

Boxwell Reservation is located on Old Hickory Lake in Wilson County on State Highway 109, five miles south of Gallatin near LaGuardo, Tennessee. Its beautiful location features rolling hills with lots of good campsites and hiking trails. The surrounding waters are excellent for swimming, canoeing, fishing, and other aquatic activities. For these reasons and because of its central location, it was chosen to meet the needs of Scout units in the Middle Tennessee Council. In 1952, the original site was located and, in 1957, the Middle Tennessee Council acquired, by special act of Congress, fee simple (\$1.00) title to 528 acres of land from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Subsequent purchases brought its size up to 1,300 acres.

Actually, there have been four "Boxwells": Linden, Tennessee (1921-29), Narrows of the Harpeth (1930-48), Rock Island (Charles E. Parish Wilderness Reservation near McMinnville) (1949-59), and the present one. In 1938, the Order of the Arrow's Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge #111 was founded at the Narrows of the Harpeth. In 1951, the South's first Wood Badge course was offered at the Rock Island camp. Each "Boxwell" provided great outdoor experiences for boys and their adult leaders, and made its own contribution to the camping traditions of the Middle Tennessee Council. Today's Boxwell Reservation on Old Hickory Lake reflects and accelerates the rapid growth of Scouting in Middle Tennessee. Many people worked hard to raise the funds and make the arrangements necessary to acquire and develop these camps. Boxwell Reservation is named for the late Mr. Leslie G. Boxwell, a distinguished Tennessean and Scouter.

In 1960, the first camp season at the present camp was held for hundreds of eagerly waiting Scouts. Since 1960 over 100,000 Scouts and Leaders have experienced camping at Boxwell. Nearly every kind of tree native to Tennessee can be found somewhere on the reservation, and animal life is plentiful. Some evidence exists to suggest that the ground beneath is honeycombed with caves, and it is believed that Indian and pioneer trails crossed it.

The camps within the reservation are named for other outstanding citizens and Scouters. The developed camps include Camp Stahlman, Camp Parnell, Camp Craig, Gaylord Cub World, and the Percy Dempsey Camporee Site. Camp Light, Explorer Island and Camp Beanie Elam have been kept as wilderness sites. Boxwell Reservation is rich in tradition and widely considered one of the very best winter camp facilities in the United States.

Winter Camp at Boxwell continues to be hosted by The Order of the Arrow WA-Hi-NASA Lodge 111. Troops from all across Middle Tennessee Council and from other Councils in Tennessee, Kentucky, Missouri, and Illinois, have attended Winter Camp at Boxwell. Some Troops boast that they have been there each and every year and do not want to break their string. Our Winter Camp Staff is made up of OA Volunteers that are very knowledgeable in the art of Winter Camping. Being only one of a handful of councils across the country, Middle Tennessee is very proud to provide a Winter Camp experience to our Scouts.

Order of the Arrow

The Order of the Arrow is an honor camping group of Scouts elected by the members of their troops. A Brotherhood ceremony will be conducted on Sunday, December 27 for Ordeal member's eligible from within Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge. There is a \$20 fee for the conversion. There is also a Cracker Barrel and patch trading session conducted on the same night. If you would like the OA to visit your Troop to promote Boxwell or conduct a unit election, contact your OA Chapter Chief or Advisor. You may also contact our Lodge Chief.

TROOP PREPARATION FOR CAMP

If your troop follows the steps listed below, the process of preparing everyone for an enjoyable experience at Boxwell should go smoothly.

June – July 2016

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Preview at Scoutmaster Steak Dinner then upon receiving this Guide:

- Inform or remind all Scouts and parents of camp dates (Dec 27th – Dec 31st).
- Recruit two or more adult leaders to spend the week with your troop. (If you can't come as a troop, **PLEASE** encourage your boys to come as adopted scouts or as a provisional camper.)
- Note payment dates and begin fundraising, if necessary.
- Make arrangements for medical examinations with a local physician
- Schedule a Parent's Night program in September.

September 2016

- Online Registration opens at www.mtcbsa.org and have Scouts select merit badges and other opportunities to pursue at camp. This is a first come, first serve basis for Merit Badges.
- Review Camp Plans with Scouts and Parents and distribute information
- Troop must choose to attend Boxwell or Latimer Reservation
- Arrange for Camp Leadership and begin schedule development for the Troop

September 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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During November and December:

- Give final notice to all boys and parents about plans for attending camp.
- Work on merit badge requirements that cannot be done at camp.
- See that all Scouts and Leaders receive the medical forms they need.
- Arrange for transportation to and from camp.
- Collect completed Personal Health and Medical Summary forms.

Three Weeks before Camp:

- Attend Pre-Camp Meeting at Jet Potter Scout Service Center on December 1, 2016.
- Bring payment for balance of fees in order to receive the discounted price.
- Bring complete medical forms for all Scouts and adults attending camp.
- Bring Permission Forms for any Scouts taking classes which require one.

One Week before Camp:

- Review Troop Program Schedule from Pre-Camp Meeting.
- Deadline for Refund Request Forms.
- Prepare the troop and patrol equipment to bring to camp.
- Inspect each Scout’s personal gear and uniform.
- Finalize transportation arrangements to and from camp.

NOVEMBER 7th
Early Bird Discount Deadline

Registration

This year Middle Tennessee Council will once again be using the **Doubleknot** online system for registration and merit badge classes. The online registration is “real-time” and will allow you to register your Scouts quickly. Remember that space is limited in all programs. Because the council does not require a deposit prior to registration for Winter Camp the link will be added to the council website in September for open enrollment.

Fees are transferable to other scouts, but it is up to the canceling individual to arrange for payment reimbursement from the replacement scout. The Middle Tennessee Council Service Center must be informed of any fees that are transferred at the Pre-Camp Leaders' Meeting. Refund checks will be mailed after the troop attends camp.

The Middle Tennessee Council Camping Committee has established the following camp fees for both in-Council and out-of-council troops. This fee schedule is provided to assist you in planning for winter camp.

Description	Discount Fee* by November 6	Regular Fee after November 6
Camper Fee (Deposit of \$30 per Scout by November 6 th)*	\$120	\$140
Provisional Camper or Adopted Scout*(Deposit of \$30 by 11/6)	\$120	\$140
No Cost Adult Leaders	2 Adults per unit	2 Adults per unit
Extra Adults	\$40 per person	\$40 per person

**A Deposit of \$30.00 per Scout must be received by November 7, 2016 in order to qualify for the Discounted Fee. The balance of the camp fee(s) must be received by December 1, 2016 to receive the discount fee. Regular fee schedule applies if a Scout did not register and/or pay by the Early Bird deadline.*

Council Refund Policy

Individuals that cancel a reservation 10 days prior to attending Winter Camp will receive a refund of fees paid, less a \$30 cancellation charge. No refunds will be made after the 10-day cancellation deadline. No refunds will be considered unless the refund form provided in the forms section of this guide is completed and received at the Jet Potter Scout Service Center 10 days prior to the unit's first day in camp. Refunds of 100% of fees paid will only be given for medical related cancellations where a doctor's note is provided.

Winter Camp Camperships

Middle Tennessee Council offers Camperships for Scouts who would not be able attend camp due to financial difficulties. Campership amounts will be granted based on the financial need of each applicant. Camperships are not transferable if the Scout cannot attend camp. Applications for these Camperships are available at www.mtcbsa.org. These forms are due no later than Nov. 7, 2016. Leaders will be notified of Campership approvals via email contact prior to the Pre-camp Leaders meeting on Dec. 1, 2016.

All Scouts who submit a Campership Application should pay a portion of their fee. Scouting teaches a Scout to be thrifty. Partial scholarships enable more boys to attend Winter Camp. All partial payments for Camperships must be paid in full by Dec. 3, 2015, to the Middle Tennessee Council Scout Service Center or the regular fee described under Winter Camp Fee Schedule will be assessed.

*Note: While a Scout may apply for a Campership, the Scout's name must be submitted as part of the Troop's registration.

Provisional vs. Adopted Scout

We recognize that not all troops will be able to attend winter camp. We have made arrangements for those boys who would like to attend without their troop. Boys attending camp in a provisional status will be placed together and leadership will be provided.

Have a Scout who cannot attend with his home Troop but he already knows which other Troop he would like to camp with? Then please register him as an "Adopted Scout" through the Troop that will be "adopting" him during Winter Camp.

Visitors

All visitors must check in and out at the Cripple Crab. Visitors will be given a visitor identification badge. Meal tickets should be paid for at the Cripple Crab upon arrival. Any visitor wishing to stay overnight must have a medical form with parts A, B and C completed.

Early Scout Release from Camp

Boxwell Scout Reservation is required to check Scouts out of camp with adults that are approved by the camp unit leader or the parent's name that appears on the Scout's medical form. Any adult not approved by the camp unit leader and not named on the Scout's medical form must have a completed "Release Authorization Form" to check the Scout out of camp. This release form is available from the Council Service Center upon request.

Meals

Meals are served in our indoor, heated facilities. The dining hall will be set up to serve only the number needed for each serving period. The maximum number allowed by the Fire Code would determine the number of tables and chairs allowed for each serving period. Scouts will be allowed to refuse items and request additional portions as they walk through the line. Winter Camp Staff will be monitoring the serving line during each and every meal. Cleanup responsibility will fall on each Troop Table Cleanup Monitor.

Dining Hall Procedures:

Troops will be assigned tables based on 1 table per 8 people in camp.

- Each troop will appoint 1 cleanup monitor per table assigned.
- At assigned meal time, troop will enter Dining Hall and take a seat at their assigned tables.
- After everyone has been seated, announcements will be made and grace for meal will be said.
- After grace, each side of Dining Hall will be dismissed to line up for serving.
- Approximately 15 minutes prior to the end of the meal period, everyone will be encouraged to participate in program.
- Following program, everyone will be dismissed except the table monitor. At this time the clean-up window will open and monitors may return trays and clean tables.

Based on comments received from Scouts and Leaders, our food service continues to improve each year. We continue to listen to your suggestions regarding the menu and food quality. Our pledge to you is for continuous improvement; therefore your suggestions are appreciated.

A carefully planned and prepared menu will improve the eating habits of scouts and the consumption of well-balanced meals in adequate quantities will help build strong bodies. Appropriate condiments will be served with all meals. Peanut butter and jelly will be available at all meals. Salad Bars with fruit will be used at lunch and dinner occasionally. Fruit will be at least a choice of apples and oranges. Other fruits may be served. Cold cereal will be a choice of at least four flavors. Juice will be a choice of at least two flavors. Drink stations will have hot chocolate, coffee, water and milk available for all meals. Non-carbonated drinks will be available for lunch and dinner. Past meals have consisted of: Pancakes, eggs, burritos, & sausage / Cheeseburgers, or Chicken Sandwiches / Spaghetti bake, country fired steak

Scoutmasters Luncheon – Steak and baked potato

This Winter Camp would not exist without the many scoutmasters and other leaders who bring the boys and give their time. As a token of our appreciation for your leadership in bringing Scouts to Winter Camp; the council camping committee and staff hosts a Scoutmasters' Luncheon on December 29 at 12:30.

Two Tickets per Troop will be given out at the Pre-camp Leader's Meeting. Additional tickets may be requested from the Council.

Pre-Camp Meeting

This meeting is very important in making your camp experience a Great Experience! At this meeting, here's what the Scoutmaster will do:

- * Pay final winter camp fees (if any) and submit Medical Forms on Scouts/Adults attending camp. Submit Permission Forms on any Scouts requiring one.
- * Review CLASS SCHEDULES for the Scouts in your troop.
- * Receive check-in time for winter camp.
- * Review dining hall procedures.
- * Find out about any winter camp program changes.
- * Ask questions about camp; get all the answers you need.

The date for the meeting is Thursday, December 1, 2016. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. and will conclude before 8:30 p.m. The meeting will be held this year at the Beaman/Curb Conference Center.

IMPORTANT: Troops that do not send a representative to the Pre-Camp Meeting, or those who do not make prior arrangements with the camp director, lose priority for check-in arrangements. Out of council troops may conduct this meeting by phone, fax and/or mail. Please contact Carl (ext. 8232) or Sherry (ext. 8246) in the Camping Department.

Trading Post

Each trading post will be well stocked with handicraft items, winter camp tee shirts, merit badge pamphlets, hand warmers, and other scouting equipment. At the Boxwell Trading Post candy, cold drinks and other snack items are also available. The grill will operate daily and a “meal deal” will make 100% beef quarter pound hamburgers and beef hot dogs available, hot off the grill. Daily operating hours are 8:30am – 9:00pm.

Most Scouts spend \$20-\$40 during Winter Camp for supplies, souvenirs, snacks, and grilled sandwiches. We recommend that troop leaders establish a unit banking system to help safeguard money that boys bring to camp. We cannot be responsible for lost or stolen personal items.

In addition to cash, Visa, American Express, MasterCard, and Discover are accepted at the Trading Post.

Leaders Meetings

There will be an adult leaders meeting in the afternoon of your arrival day at camp. We will also hold a Scoutmaster meeting each afternoon during camp. Please be sure to confirm the time/place at breakfast each morning for these important meetings.

Winter Weather Preparedness

As you know, the weather in Middle Tennessee in December is very unpredictable. It could be 70 degrees or it could be 20 degrees. Most likely it will be in the 30’s or 40’s and possibly wet. The best thing to do is to “Be Prepared.” When camping in the winter it is important for the boys to be dressed for the weather and to stay dry. They should have layers of insulation under their sleeping bag. Help the boys by ensuring that they have what they need, they can use the equipment checklist at the end of the leaders guide to help them pack.

Emergency Action Plan

In the event of a camp emergency, notify the Camp Director, Program Director, Camp Ranger, and/or the Camp Medical Office immediately. Where an emergency involving a camper is concerned, the appropriate Scoutmaster should be contacted. Emergency phone numbers are posted at each phone location.

Camp Emergencies: With the exception of a Weather Emergency, all campers are to report immediately to their campsite upon hearing an emergency signal. In the case of a Weather Emergency, campers should seek protective shelter. Once the Weather Emergency has passed, campers should report to their campsites. Campers should remain in the campsites until the “All Clear” signal has been given. Leaders should review these procedures with their campers.

The following emergency signals will be used:

- Fire Alarm:** Three (3) blasts of a car or air horn throughout camp.
- Weather Emergency:** Continuous blast of a car or air horn throughout camp
- All Clear:** Two (2) blasts of a car or air horn blast throughout camp
- Health Emergencies:** The Camp Health Officer will respond to all health emergency situations.

Vehicles in Camp

The Health & Safety Committee along with the Camping Committee has established a written Policy and Procedures of Vehicles in Camp. The policy follows the guidelines established in the Guide to Safe Scouting as they relate to Boxwell.

- ◆ **NO PRIVATE VEHICLES** will be allowed beyond the camp parking lot for any reason other than provable disability or pre-approved vehicles used to pull trailers to campsites for the delivery of troop and personal gear.
- ◆ Weather permitting, trailers will be allowed in campsites. However, vehicles used to pull trailers must deliver and return to the designated parking lot within one hour.

- ◆ All parking **must** be confined to designated parking lots.
- ◆ All program and administration sites are within convenient walking distance of all campsites.
- ◆ **CAMP SPEED LIMIT IS 25 MPH**
- ◆ No one under the age of 18 will be allowed to drive on the Reservation; with the exception of arriving at respective camp parking lot.
- ◆ Visitors must park in visitor's parking lot and check in at Cripple Crab or Latimer Office before proceeding to their respective camp. **NO PARKING ALONG ROAD!!**
- ◆ After check-in, please proceed to designated parking lot in respective camp.
- ◆ Due to safety and conservation vehicles used in camp will be limited to only those designated as Administrative Staff.
- ◆ Administrative vehicles with appropriate identification which will be allowed to move about the reservation and designated camp with "**Safety First and Foremost**" are as follows:
 - *Reservation Manager *Reservation Director *Ranger One *Ranger Two
 - *Camp Truck of Camp Craig/Parnell/Stahlman *Sanitation (Garbage) Truck

Private vehicles of Camp Staff members must be parked in designated parking lot by 1:00 PM on December 26th and remain there until departure on December 31st.

- ◆ **Violations of this policy will result in loss of driving privileges at Boxwell Scout Reservation. Determination of whether an individual is in violation will be left to the discretion of the Reservation Manager and/or Reservation Director.**

Camp Security

An important aspect of youth protection at camp is having some control of visitors in the camp. The Scout uniform, a powerful validation symbol making anyone wearing one seems to be in the right place at a Scout camp. Unfortunately, almost anyone can obtain a uniform, whether or not they are registered in the program.

Everyone in attendance at the camp must wear identification that signifies legitimate participation in the camping program. Wristbands, such as those used in hospitals, will be Boxwell's method. The importance of wearing this identification will be stressed when the unit checks in. It is not necessary to explain the youth protection aspect of this identification beyond its signifying a properly registered participant in the camp program.

All visitors to the camp must stop at the camp office and sign in. A guest book for this purpose will be maintained and positive identification required. A special visitor nametag will be given that will easily identify the person as a legitimate visitor. Upon conclusion of their visit, guests will sign out so that camp administrators will know who is on camp property at all times.

Any time a person is spotted in camp without either a visitor's nametag or camp participant identification, that person should be escorted to the office to sign in (and so staff personnel may determine why that person is on camp property). In addition to these measures we have installed security cameras.

Camp Policies and Procedures

Adult Leadership

Each unit must have responsible adult leadership. Each unit in camp is required to have at least two adult leaders present at all times. Units that are unable to secure two-deep leadership should contact their district committee to make arrangements to combine with another unit or make other arrangements for their scouts at winter camp. Leaders must be present day and night. One leader must be at least 21 years of age and the second leader must be at least 18.

Insurance

Each troop in the Middle Tennessee Council pays \$1.00 per scout and per leader at charter renewal to cover insurance for each person in the troop. This will insure them at camp as well as at all other Scouting activities. The Council will file all necessary insurance forms in the event of an accident.

The Middle Tennessee Council does NOT insure troops visiting from outside the Council. Troops must have insurance either through their troop or through their home council. Please bring proof of insurance and tour plan from home Council to check-in on the first day of camp.

General Cleanliness

Let's be clean in everything we are doing. Shower houses will be available for scouts and leaders. Help us keep camp clean. Trash barrels are in each campsite and throughout camp. Please remember the Outdoor Code. Leave camp cleaner than you found it.

Health and Safety

A safe and enjoyable experience has always been the focus of the Boy Scouts for decades. The camping experience at Boxwell Scout Reservation is no exception. In the event of an emergency, Boxwell has immediate response capability with a Wilson County Emergency Management team located only three (3) miles away. We also have Emergency Medical Staff on the site at all times working out of the Health Lodge. They can be contacted by radio 24 hours a day. If needed, a medical doctor is on call 24 hours a day and makes weekly visits to camp. The support is conducted by the Sumner Regional Medical Center located only five (5) miles from Boxwell. This facility offers a full array of state of the art medical services. Emergency transportation by ambulance is only a radio call away and we have established a Predestinated Emergency Landing Area (PELA) with Vanderbilt Life Flight. The Wilson County Sheriff's Department makes random checks of our facility and is ready to assist in the event of an emergency.

Boxwell Scout Reservation takes the safety of each camper very seriously and pledges to do the utmost to see that they have a safe and enjoyable environment to pursue the great ideals of Scouting.

Alcoholic Beverages and Drugs

Alcoholic beverages and illegal drugs are not allowed on council properties. Violators will be asked to leave. Prescription drugs must be placed in the care of the health office at the Health Lodge.

Smoking/Tobacco Usage

Scouts are not allowed to smoke or use tobacco at camp. Adults are asked to exercise discretion among Scouts and use the designated smoking area in camp this policy extends to e-cigarettes. **Absolutely, no smoking of any kind is allowed in buildings or in tents.**

Fires, Firefighting and Fuel Policy

The danger of fire exists everywhere in camp. The camp staff is prepared to handle firefighting in camp, but you should be prepared to stop or slow the fire until help arrives. Fireguard charts are furnished and must be posted in camp and should be inspected daily by the unit leader to see that responsibilities are assigned and carried out. Failure to sign the Fireguard Chart will result in an unsatisfactory mark for that day's campsite inspection.

Each Troop will need to provide a fire extinguisher.

National BSA policy permits the use of liquid fuel only under the direct supervision of a knowledgeable adult leader. Gasoline and other flammable substances are to be stored in the approved fuel storage area in camp (Contact the Service Corp Director).

Open flames (i.e. candles, Sterno, kerosene lanterns, cigarettes, etc.) are also strictly prohibited in tents.

No fire is to be unattended at any time in a campsite. Therefore, a fire is to be completely out when no one is in the site.

Program Activities

Evening Program

The evening program during Winter Camp will include opening campfire program with fireworks, closing campfire program, inter-faith worship service, and **MOVIE** night.

Dutch Oven Cook-Off Extravaganza

Attention all youth and adults!!! Showcase your cooking skills in our Dutch Oven cook-off! A select few of our lucky, or possibly unlucky, staff will be called upon to judge this event. Participants will need to bring their own equipment and ingredients. Please bring your designated entry to the Dining Hall after dinner on the 29th to be judged.

Ringmasters Hike

All adults and youth are invited to join us on the morning warrior hikes. The hikes will be held each morning beginning at 6:00am at the Stahlman Flag Pole. To earn the KOA Warrior patch a participant must attend a minimum of two hikes. The hikes should take one hour or less to complete.



The **CLOWNING** merit badge is not an official merit badge. It is a spoof badge, but an awesome class. Participants will learn how to be the clown in every scenario. Introduction to Juggling, Magic Tricks 101 Red Nose application skills, and for the bravest of clowns, an opportunity to perform in closing campfire.

Duty to God Program

A Scout is Reverent! Each day during camp, you will encounter God's handiwork on many occasions. The Winter Camp **Duty to God** Program will allow you to reflect on that and earn some recognition. By completing a few simple tasks at camp, participants earn a patch. Those interested in earning the "Duty to God" patch must attend mid camp religious service. Participate in at least one daily devotional with your Scout unit. Lead Grace before a meal. After completing the requirements, turn in the completed sheet to the Camp Chaplain Aid or Program Director. Patches are available for purchase thru the Trading Post at a cost of \$4 per patch.

Conservation Projects

The BSA realizes that the conservation of our natural resources is vital to the future of this country. Participation in conservation and work projects allows scouts a chance to enjoy and develop a love and appreciation of the outdoors. Conservation projects will be available for troop participation while attending Boxwell winter camp. Please check the Stahlman Board for a list of projects.

Winter Camp Training Program

The Winter Camp experience will offer a wide variety of Merit Badge and training programs. The staff is committed to work with your troop to meet your training needs.

Winter Camp offers training program opportunities designed for Adult leaders, troops, patrols and individual Scouts. Programs have been designed for new Scouts, returning Scouts and veteran Scouts. Please take time to design your troop's program to meet the needs of all the Scouts in your troop.

Additional Opportunities for Recreation

Youth

Recreational Black Powder at Stahlman Rifle Range	December 28	1 – 4 PM
Recreational Shotgun at Shotgun Range	December 30	1 – 4 PM
Recreational Rifle at the Stahlman Rifle Range	December 28 - 30	1 – 4 PM
Recreational Archery at the Stahlman Archery Range	December 28-30	1 – 4 PM
Sling Shot at the Stahlman Activity Field	December 28-29	1 – 4 PM
Zipline open (IF weather is manageable)	TBD	1 – 4 PM
Boat Harbor open as weather allows	TBD	1 - 4 PM

Adults

COPE for Adults	12/28	9:00am	COPE Course
Philmont Orientation Class	12/29	9:00am	OA Lodge
Scoutmasters Only Shoot	12/29	1:30–4:00pm	Shotgun Range
Adult CPR Training (\$10 per person)	12/28	1-4:00pm	High Adventure Building
Eagle Rank Process Discussion	12/30	9:00am	OA Lodge

How to Volunteer for Adult Camp Staff

Does your troop have some extra adults who like to do something special at camp? Maybe you can provide some VOLUNTEER ADULT STAFF MEMBERS this winter. Talk to the adults who work with your troop. See if anyone wants to teach their favorite skill at camp, to boys from your troop and other troops.

Please let the Program Director know what they would like to teach and when. We will re-confirm your volunteer staff plans at the Pre-Camp meeting, and announce this to all troops that will be at camp that week.

Adults from your troop may also want to help out at camp in other ways. We always need help with plumbing and electrical work, carpentry, and other camp maintenance.

Remember that your troop needs at least two adults with your Scouts at all times. If someone from your troop volunteers to teach classes or do other work away from your campsite, you may need extra adults to make sure you have two-deep leadership at all times for your troop.

Merit Badge	Requirements to be Completed at Camp	Number of Scouts allowed per class	Day(s) Offered
Animal Science	1 2 3 4 5	30	Wednesday
Art	1 2 3 5	35	Wednesday
Athletics	1 2 4 6a 5partial	35	Thursday
Backpacking	1 2 3 4 5 6a 6c 8a 8b 8d	35	Friday
Chess	All	30	Wednesday
Citizenship in the Community	1 2 3 4 5 6 8	35 per day	Wed or Thur or Fri
Citizenship in the Nation	1 2d 4 5 6 7 8	35 per day	Wed or Thur or Fri
Citizenship in the World	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	35 per day	Wed or Thur or Fri
Communications	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 9	35	Wednesday or Friday
Cooking	1 2 8	30	Thursday
Crime Prevention	1 2 3 6 8 9	35	Wednesday
Dentistry	1 2 4 5 7	35	Friday
Emergency Preparedness	2 3 4 5 6ab 7	20	Friday
Family Life	1 2 6a 7	15	Friday
Farm Mechanics	1 2 3 4 6 7	35	Wednesday
Finger Printing	1 2 3 4 5	35	Thursday
Fire Safety	1 2 3 4 5 7 8 10 12	35	Wednesday
Geocaching	1 3 4 5 6 7 8	20	Thursday
Horsemanship	All requirements	20	Friday
Law	1 2 3 5 6b 7 8 9 10 11	30	Thursday
Metalwork	1 2 3 4 5	30	Thursday
Model Design	1 2 3 4 5 6	30	Wednesday
Motorboating	All requirements	18	Wednesday
Nature	1 2 3 4a	20	Thursday
Orienteering	1 2 3 4 5 6	35	Thursday
Painting	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	25	Thursday
Personal Fitness	1a 2 3 4 5 6 9	35	Wednesday
Personal Management	TBD	30	Thursday
Photography	1 2 3 4 5	30	Thursday
Plumbing	1 2 3 4 5 6 8	30	Friday
Public Health	1 2 3 4 5a 6 8	35	Wednesday
Public Speaking	All requirements	20	Friday
Radio	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	35	Friday
Railroading	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	30	Friday
Robotics	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	30	Wednesday
Safety	1 3acd 5 7	35	Thursday
Search & Rescue	1 2 3 4 5 6 8 10	30	Friday
Sports	1 2 3 4abc	35	Friday
Sustainability	1 2 3 6	25	Friday
Truck Transportation	1 2 3 5 6 7 9	30	Thursday
Wilderness Survival	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12	35	Friday
Wood Working	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	35	Thursday

Online Merit Badge Program

This year Middle Tennessee Council will once again be using the **Doubleknot** online system for registration and merit badge classes. The online registration is “real-time” and will allow you to register your Scouts quickly. Remember that space is limited in all programs. Because the council does not require a deposit prior to registration for Winter Camp the link will be added to the council website in September for open enrollment.

Please use your best judgment in determining if the Scout is ready to earn the merit badge. The Scoutmaster may approve any requirements completed before/after Winter Camp.

Please Note: Classes for the Citizenship in the Community, Nation and World merit badges are offered three (3) times each, one per day of camp. A Scout need register for **ONLY** for one of these classes – not all 3 classes. They will complete the requirements listed in one day of class. Class sizes are limited based upon Merit Badge Counselor’s materials, and facility limitations. Each class will be filled on a first-come basis.

Winter Camp Gear List

Scoutmasters and Senior Patrol Leaders:

Please distribute copies of this page to each Scout. **Camping will be Jamboree Style with your own tents.**

Each boy should bring their own personal gear.

Each item on the list is important. Please stress the necessity of having the proper gear.

The key to cold weather camping is to stay warm and dry. Bring both light and heavy weight clothing in order to "layer" if the weather is cold. For underwear and socks, bring at least one change per day.

PERSONAL GEAR

- Scout Uniform (shorts or long pants)
- Order of the Arrow Sash (If a member)
- Medical form (MANDATORY)
- Scout Handbook
- T-shirts
- Pants, extra
- Socks and underwear
- Waterproof Footwear
- Poncho or rain gear
- Warm Clothing
- Old blankets - to put over sleeping bag for extra insulation
- Toilet kit (toothbrush, towel, soap, etc.)
- Water bottle
- Flashlight (with fresh batteries)
- Pen and Paper
- Spending Money for the Trading Post

BE PREPARED FOR RAIN/COLD WEATHER

EXTRAS (Optional)

Fishing Gear
 Pocket Knife
 Watch
 Sunglasses
 Small Musical Instrument
 Water Proof Footwear

TROOP EQUIPMENT

- Tents & Ground cloths
- Troop, Patrol and American Flags
- Lanterns
- Broom, Rake
- Water Coolers & Containers
- Ax & Camp saw
- Fire Extinguisher
- Dining Fly, Poles, Rope
- Optional:**
- Straw (In case of rain)
- Sleeping Bag Dutch Ovens
- Sleeping Pad Fire Wood

WHAT NOT TO BRING TO CAMP

Bikes
 Roller blades or skates
 Skateboards
 Pets (Except for Service Dogs)
 Sheath knives
 Butterfly knives
 Fireworks
 Airsoft and/or paintball guns

CAMP MAILING ADDRESS

Scout Name: _____
 Troop Number: _____

Boxwell Reservation
 Winter Camp
 1284 Creighton Lane
 Lebanon, TN 37087

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Boy Scouts of America

PARENTAL PERMISSION AND RELEASE FORM

For Participating In the _____

MINOR'S NAME _____
(PRINT)

I _____
(PRINT)

Parent/guardian of the above named minor do hereby give permission to participate in the above stated Program.

I do further agree to indemnify and save harmless the Boy Scouts of America, Middle Tennessee Council and all officers, members, employees, and volunteers thereof, from all suits of actions brought for, or on account of, any injuries or damages received or sustained by any person or persons by or from the consequences of any negligence or any act of omission of the above named minor occurring during the course of said instruction.

Signed _____

Parent _____

Legal Guardian _____

Date _____

NOTE: This form is required for Scouts participating in the **Horsemanship or Railroading** Merit Badge Classes. If you have a Scout that will take part in both classes be sure to complete two (2) forms. Bring the completed form(s) to either the Pre-camp Meeting or to check-in at camp. Scouts without completed forms will not be allowed to leave the Reservation in order to complete these merit badge classes.